



MEDDLING BUT NO CONSPIRACY

MUELLER REPORT LEAVES OBSTRUCTION QUESTION UNRESOLVED

‘GOOD DAY’ FOR TRUMP

A defiant president pronounced it ‘a good day’ and tweeted ‘Game Over’ in a typeface mimicking the ‘Game of Thrones’ logo



MUELLER TESTIMONY SOUGHT

Democrats demand the special counsel appear before Congress within a month, saying Barr can’t be trusted to interpret report



DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE VIA AP

This combination of images shows the entire redacted report by special counsel Robert Mueller released Thursday by Attorney General William Barr.

KEY TAKEAWAYS

BY CHAD DAY
Associated Press

WASHINGTON • President Donald Trump may not have obstructed justice, but it wasn’t for lack of trying. Robert Mueller’s 448-page report takes the American public inside the room with Trump as he expressed fear that the special counsel would end his presidency and made several attempts to get the people around him to curtail the probe into his campaign and Russian interference in the 2016 presidential election. Ultimately, Mueller found Trump’s inner circle saved him from himself. They refused to carry out orders that could have crossed the line into obstructing justice.

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Mueller cites legal constraints in declining to charge, but does not exonerate Trump

Report details president’s attempts to escape an inquiry that imperiled his presidency

Investigation lays bare how Trump was elected with a foreign power’s help

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THE INVESTIGATION

BY DEVLIN BARRETT AND MATT ZAPOTOSKY
Washington Post

WASHINGTON • The long-awaited report from special counsel Robert Mueller details abundant evidence against President Donald Trump — finding 10 episodes of suspicious behavior — but ultimately concludes that it was not Mueller’s role to determine whether the commander in chief broke the law. “The evidence we obtained about the President’s actions and intent presents difficult issues that would need to be resolved if we were making a traditional prosecutorial judgment,” Mueller’s team stated in the report submitted to Congress on Thursday. “At the same time, if

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MLS EXPANDS EXPANSION

St. Louis almost certain to get soccer team

BY DAVID HUNN
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. • Major League Soccer owners decided on Thursday to expand by three teams to 30 and enter into “exclusive, formal discussions” with the top two bidders — St. Louis and Sacramento — for spots in the league. The decision ended weeks of speculation on which city’s bid would win. The league had long said it would expand only to 28. “We had two very, very strong bids,” Commissioner Don Garber said after the owners’ spring meeting ended on Thursday.

At the same time, owners also voted to boost the cost of those teams by \$50 million each, bumping the expansion fee from \$150 million to \$200 million. Garber cautioned that the vote did not grant teams to Sacramento and St. Louis. But he said multiple times that the league would deal exclusively with the ownership groups from those two markets regarding teams 28 and 29. He expected the teams to start playing in 2021 or 2022. The league has not set a timeline for the 30th team, he said. It is in discussions with several other cities. League staff called the ownership

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